as to any matter which is issued, adopted, or promulgated, and which is required by paragraph (a) of this section to be made available or published.

- (1) The index shall be available at the Office of the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573. Publication of such indices has been determined by the Commission to be unnecessary and impracticable. The indices shall, nonetheless, be provided to any member of the public at a cost not in excess of the direct cost of duplication of any such index upon request therefor.
- (2) No final order, opinion, statement of policy, interpretation, or staff manual or instruction that affects any member of the public will be relied upon, used, or cited as precedent by the Commission against any private party unless:
- (i) It has been indexed and either made available or published as provided by this subpart; or
- (ii) That private party shall have actual and timely notice of the terms thereof.
- (d) Duplication of records may be subject to fees as prescribed in subpart E of this part.

§ 503.22 Records available at the Office of the Secretary

- (a) The following records will be made available for inspection and copying at the Office of the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, 800 North Capitol St., NW, Washington, DC 20573, without the requirement of a written request. Access to requested records may be delayed if they have been sent to archives.
- (1) Proposed and final rules and regulations of the Commission including general substantive rules, statements of policy and interpretations, and rules of practice and procedure.
- (2) Reports of decisions (including concurring and dissenting opinions), orders and notices in all formal proceedings.
- (3) Official docket files in all formal proceedings including, but not limited to, orders, notices, pertinent correspondence, transcripts, exhibits, and briefs, except for materials which are the subject of a protective order. Copies of transcripts may only be available

from the reporting company contracted by the Commission. Contact the Office of the Secretary for the name and address of this company.

- (4) News releases.
- (5) Approved summary minutes of Commission actions showing final votes, except for minutes of closed Commission meetings which are not available until the Commission publicly announces the results of such deliberations.
- (6) Annual reports of the Commission
- (b) Certain fees may be assessed for duplication of records made available by this section as prescribed in subpart E of this part.

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§ 503.23 Records available upon written request.

- (a) The following Commission records are generally available for inspection and copying, without resort to Freedom of Information Act procedures, upon request in writing addressed to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, DC 20573:
- (1) Agreements filed and in effect pursuant to section 5 (46 U.S.C. 40301(d)–(e), 40302–40303, 40305) and 6 (46 U.S.C. 40304, 40306, 41307(b)–(d)) of the Shipping Act of 1984.
- (2) Agreements filed under section 5 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. 40301(d)-(e), 40302-40303, 40305) which have been noticed in the FEDERAL REGISTER.
- (3) Tariff data filed in the Commission's ATFI system prior to May 1, 1999.
- (4) List of licensed ocean freight forwarders.
- (b) Certain fees may be assessed for duplication of records made available by this section as prescribed in subpart E of this part.

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§ 503.24 Information available via the internet.

(a) The Commission maintains an internet web site. The Commission home page may be found at http://www.fmc.gov.